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Sir:

a.) Introductory Comments:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Office Action, mail dated July 12, 2004, applicant respectfully makes the following provisional election and requests reconsideration of the Restriction in view of applicant's remarks below.

Applicant provisionally elects Group I, claims 1-32 and 39-41, and Species I, all with traverse.